SC186 WG-2 TIS-B

Minutes of Joint Meeting with EUROCONTROL Brussels, 25 September 2002

Attendees:

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This one-day meeting followed a two-day joint Plenary of SC186 and EUROCAE WG51. That meeting had discussed development plans for separate and joint ASA MASPS, and an agreed phasing of applications. A "Package 1" set of applications included the visual acquisition applications that the WG2 TIS-B MASPS plans to support. Each SC186 Working Group had presented a progress report, including the presentation entitled "WG2 Progress Sept. 2002" given by Andy.

Andy opened the meeting with introductions. An agenda was agreed, where available papers would be discussed according to their utility in aiding the exchange and harmonization of information.

Andy reviewed part of the progress report cited above, and presented a second briefing entitled "TIS-B Issues 9.02", which gave more detail regarding the changes being developed to the draft TIS-B MASPS. Since there was considerable interest in the new Integrity topic, it was agreed to return to this later in the day.

David suggested that TIS-B be advertised as more than merely a gap-filler. It also can be viewed as a "service extender", where it provides surveillance not otherwise available, e.g., on the surface. A special example of this could be to detect and alert against obstacles on the runway. These could be observed using primary radar.

Goran presented a short briefing on the role of TIS-B in the NUP-2 program. Unlike the FAA/RTCA and EUROCONTROL approaches, NUP is treating TIS-B as a temporary service, for the purpose of gap-filling. It will provide surveillance to support applications being developed by the various Tiger Teams. Another difference is in design. Unlike the WG2 MASPS, the NUP TIS-B design does not strive for complete message compatibility; instead, it seeks to conserve bandwidth for TIS-B reports by sending a

geographical reference point in its Management Message, and sending only offsets in the individual target messages.

Next, the EUROCONTROL views were considered. There was not time to go through the architecture and functional requirements documents, but Gilles observed that they were largely in line with WG2. EUROCONTROL had compiled a list of differences and issues (see "MASPS vs EURO Reqs"), and these were discussed.

Issue	Result of Discussion
1. policy regarding requiring ADS-	Our MASPS does not require it, but our
B equipage	Principles section encourages it
2. should we say an aircraft is	Simply a matter of clarifying that service is
"guaranteed" to receive TIS-B	expected. We don't think "guaranteed" is
messages?	correct.
3. unclear whether one or multiple	WG2 to reexamine Fig. 1-6 and clarify this point
reports is sent when TIVs are	
nested	
4. How can TIS-B detect and react	As we decided at the Plenary WG session, we
to inadequate ADS-B air-air	need to clarify with an example such as
communication?	buildings on the surface creating a shielded
	region
5. Intent not likely to be required	We are just including this as a placeholder for
	future applications
6. Specifically list obstacles as	We do provide for this elsewhere
potential targets	
7. The contents of the (internal)	We had decided these quantities normally would
track report are too design oriented	be determined prior to the Distribution function.
in requiring coding of NAC, NIC,	We did not intend to constrain the internal
SIL	formatting
8. Sensor Adaptation is a specific	We should reconsider whether this should be a
design approach; the requirement	requirement
should be for accuracy	
9. Unclear what is being said about	Clarify that we meant to advise keeping the
overlapping coverage	overlap region small
10. Do not expect to generate	Consider moving this example to Appendix
requirements of the type in Table	
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11. Differences in contents of	IMPORTANT PHILOSOPHICAL
Target Report	DIFFERENCE – regarding contents and
	grouping of report elements
12. Optional items in target reports	Consider changing "optional" to "when
	available"
13. same as item 9.	
14. EUROCONTROL would send	PHILOSOPHICAL DIFFERENCE – we decided
multiple reports for overlapping	not to do this. We should give examples
service volumes	describing meeting the requirements of two

	services, perhaps with the most stringent aspects
	of each
15. Do not plan to dynamically	We only give this as an option
adjust the service volume	
16. Differences in Service Status	We agreed at Plenary WG to consider clarifying
17. Do not plan to filter targets	We identified this as one means to learn of
based on flight plan	anonymous or secure aircraft that should not be
	broadcast
18. Have not decided what Link	We think we are listing the appropriate items
Status is required	

Tony Warren presented a briefing on TIS-B Integrity Monitoring. This has been the focus of one of the WG2 subgroups created since the Plenary meeting. Development of this material is ongoing, and it is anticipated that an Appendix will be created for the MASPS to recommend good design practices.

Ken and Andy thanked Gilles and EUROCONTROL for hosting this meeting.